



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

LAMAR HIGH
Darlington
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 290
Principal: Kathy B. Gainey
Superintendent: Dr. Rainey Knight
Board Chair: Charles Govan

PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Excellent	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2009	Good	Below Average	N/A	Gold	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	3	18	5	6

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	82.6%	68.9%	68.2%	65.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.0%	12.2%	16.7%	19.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	4.3%	18.9%	15.6%	15.2%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	92.0%	83.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	73	195
Number of Diplomas	69	138
Rate (%)	94.5%	71.0%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	82.1	65.4
English 1	63.3	51.6
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	75.8	50.3
Physical Science	69.7	41.1
US History and the Constitution	31.0	31.7
All Tests	66.5	47.6

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined
 NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

LAMAR HIGH [Darlington]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=290)				
Retention rate	5.0%	Up from 3.7%	4.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.7%	94.9%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	6.4%	Up from 4.3%	7.9%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.5%	Down from 12.9%	12.2%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	7.4%	Up from 6.9%	9.8%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	No Change	7.6%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	17.3%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	27.5%	Up from 27.0%	27.5%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.7%	2.4%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	5.4%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	62	Down from 104	373	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	96.8%	Up from 94.7%	76.7%	83.0%
Teachers (n=22)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	59.1%	Up from 57.1%	59.1%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	72.7%	Down from 81.0%	73.4%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.0%	Down from 90.6%	82.6%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	97.0%	Down from 97.5%	95.3%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,203	Down 3.9%	\$45,203	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	3.4%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	11.5 days	Up from 11.3 days	9.9 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.9 to 1	Down from 21.6 to 1	23.7 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.3%	Down from 92.3%	88.7%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,849	Down 9.4%	\$8,846	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.7%	Up from 49.6%	56.1%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	54.2%	Down from 54.8%	59.6%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.0%	Down from 100.0%	96.7%	97.3%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	53.8%	Down from 92.3%	53.8%	65.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Lamar High School, a Class A high school in the southern region of Darlington County, has a population of 326 students in grades 9-12.

Its academic program consists of a comprehensive curriculum of college prep and honors level courses, as well as dual credit opportunities (courses for high school and college credit) in which students may enroll.

Course offerings in visual and performing arts, as well as vocational completer programs, available through the Darlington County Institute of Technology, enhance the academic program at Lamar High School. The extracurricular programs at Lamar High School add the finishing touch needed to provide a well rounded educational experience for our students.

Among the numerous academic accomplishments of the Lamar High Silver Foxes, during the 2010-11 school year were the following: 38% of our students made the honor roll each quarter, 43% received awards at the annual academic banquet, 25% of the graduating class were vocational completers, 33% of the graduating class met the grade point average and class rank requirements for the Life Scholarship, and over \$1,088,000.00 in scholarship money was offered to members of the class of 2011. Our school had the sixth highest graduation rate out of 212 high schools in South Carolina. Our graduation rate in 2010 was 95.9%.

Lamar Silver Foxes had many extracurricular successes in the 2010-11 school year.

Lamar High School continues to strive for improved student performance on the HSAP, PSAT, PLAN, SAT, ACT, EOCEP and all academic areas.

Lamar High was a proud recipient of the Magna Cum Laude Award for Rapid Improvement on the ACT from the State Dept of Education.

Kathy B. Gainey, Principal
Susan Lear, School Improvement Council Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	27	56	20
Percent satisfied with learning environment	44.4%	83.9%	95.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	88.9%	85.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	40.7%	87.0%	75.0%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites.

Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined
NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status